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Applicant(s): Regula, J.  
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Title: Method and Apparatus for a Fault Tolerant, Software Transparent and High Data Integrity Extension to a Backplane Bus or Interconnect  
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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE37 CFR 1.312(a)

Sir:

A Notice of Allowability dated 10/12/99 was issued for the parent application serial number 08/771,581. The drawings for application serial number 09/421,771 are the same as those in the parent application serial number 08/771,581. These amendments are made in anticipation that a Notice of Allowance will issue for application serial number 09/421,771 as it did in the parent application serial number 08/771,581.

Applicant is filing formal drawings along with the appropriate SUBMISSION OF